proposal for consolidation, by way of merger etc. of one public sector bank (PSB) with another PSB, should emanate from the concerned banks with Government playing a supportive role. However, while supporting any merger proposal, Government will keep in view the interests of the stakeholders and employees of merging banks.

Wealth of big companies

*60. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the ten largest corporate establishments of the country and the value of wealth owned by them, corporate-wise;

(b) the amount of money invested in the country by foreign corporate establishments, name-wise and amount-wise;

(c) how this accumulation of wealth becomes a cause for inflation; and

(d) the remedial measures proposed?

THE MINISTER OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS (SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA): (a) and (b) The names of the ten largest corporate establishments of the country in terms of turnover is given in the Statement-I (*See* below) and the ten largest instances of foreign direct investment by foreign corporates/other establishments in Indian companies is given in the Statement-II (*See* below).

(c) and (d) Inflation is influenced by a combination of monetary and non-monetary factors and policies in an economy. Accumulation of wealth, in itself, does not have any specific relationship with inflation.

Containment of inflation is high on the Government's agenda. In pursuance of this, Government monitors the price situation on a regula basis. Anti-inflationary policies of the Government include strict fiscal discipline, rationalization of duties of essential items, effective supply demand management of essential commodities through liberal tariff and trade policies and strengthening the public distribution system. The Reserve Bank of India through its monetary policies also contributes to macro-economic management to control inflationary tendencies and pressures while maintaining economic growth.

Statement-I

The names of the ten largest corporate establishments of the country in terms of turnover is as under

Sl. No.	Company Name	Amount (Rs. in crore)
1	2	3
1.	SPT Commodities Private Limited	963516

1	2	3
2.	Frost International Limited	855739
3.	Consolidated Construction Consortium Limited	854712
4.	Procter and Gamble Home Products Private Limited	843905
5.	Zoom Developers Pvt. Ltd.	684018
6.	Procter and Gamble Hygiene and Health Care Limited	631001
7.	LT Foods Limited	485437
8.	NRC Limited	478082
9.	Tetra-Pak India Private Limited	429249
10.	BEHR India Limited	320370

Statement-II

Foreign Direct Investment in Indian Companies, name-wise and amount-wise, in order of the amount invested, from January, 2000 *to July,* 2008

Sl. No.	Name of the Foreign Company	Name of Indian Company in Which Foreign Direct Investment took place	Amount of Foreign Direct Investment Inflow (Rs. in crore)	Year of Investment
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Cairan UK Holding, U.K.	Cairn (I) Ltd.	6663.24	2006
2.	Oracle Global (Mauritius) Ltd.	Iflex Solutions Ltd.	4805.58	2007
3.	Mauritius Debt Management Ltd. (Mauritius)	India Debt Management Ltd.	3800.00	2008
4.	Vodafone Mauritius Ltd. (Mauritius)	Bhaik Inflotel P. Ltd.	3268.12	2007
5.	CMP Asia Ltd. (Mauritius)	Housing Development Finance Corpn. Ltd.	2638.25	2008
6.	Oracle Global Mauritius Ltd. (Mauriritius)	Iflex Solutions Ltd.	2578.80	2005
7.	Merrill Lynch (Mauritius) Ltd.	DSP Merrill Lynch Ltd.	2230.00	2006

1	2	3	4	5
8.	Enron Power Development Corporation, USA (Mauritius)	Dabhol Power Company Ltd.	2160.30	2002
9.	Group of Non-Resident NRI	Tata Consultancy Services Ltd.	2148.60	2006
10.	Baring India Pvt. Equity Ltd.	Infrasoft Technologies Ltd.	2096.20	2007

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Status of modernization of airports

310. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB PEEVEE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the status of his Ministry's plan to upgrade 24 airports by 2009 and 11 by 2010;

(b) whether Government is considering to change the terms of the modernisation programme; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) to (c) The terminal building and airside works for 24 non metro airports are scheduled to be completed by 2009 and for 11 airports by 2010 as planned.

Development of air-strips

311. MS. MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to develop around 300 air-strips, lying idle in the country to decongest major airports;

(b) if so, the details thereof, *inter-alia* indicating those which are proposed to be developed in Orissa and Jharkhand States;

(c) whether Government has permitted development of private air-strips in the country to help smoother operations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) Airports Authority of India (AAI) has plans to carry out feasibility study for non-operational airports in the country including those in Orissa and Jharkhand. Such airstrips/airports in Orissa and Jharkhand, are:

Orissa- Amarda Road, Barbil, Baripada, Birasal, Cuttak, Gonapur, Gopalpur, Gudari, Hirakund, Heypore, Keonjhar, Khandpara, Konark, Nawapara, Padampur, Rairangpur, Rangeilunda, Rourkela, Sarlake, Theruboli, Tushra and Utkela.

Jharkhand- Bokaro, Chaibasa, Deoghar, Dhanbad and Jamshedpur.